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## **News Release**

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## **February Milk Production**

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 333 million pounds of milk during February, up 0.6 percent from a year ago, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 63.6 pounds, unchanged from February 2017. The dairy herd was estimated at 187,000 head for February, up 1,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 15.9 billion pounds, up 1.8 percent from February 2017. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 65.1 pounds for February, 0.8 pounds above February 2017. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.75 million head, 49,000 head more than February 2017, and 1,000 more than January 2018.

## Milk production, February

Commodity	Indiana			23 Major States		
	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
Cows1,000 Hd	184	186	187	8,628	8,696	8,745
Daily rate per cowPounds	64.8	63.6	63.6	65.5	64.3	65.1
ProductionMil lbs	334	331	333	15,821	15,645	15,934

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